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1. A cosmetic or dermatological preparation, which is a finely disperse water-in-oil system [of the water-in-oil type], comprising
  1. an oil phase,
  2. a water phase,
  3. at least one modified phyllosilicate, which exhibits both hydrophilic and lipophilic properties [, i.e. which has amphiphilic character] and positions itself at the water/oil interface,
  4. at least one flavone, flavanone and/or flavanoid and
  5. at most 0.5% by weight of one or more emulsifiers.
3. The preparation as in claim 1 [claimed in either of the preceding claims], wherein the further cosmetic or pharmaceutical auxiliaries, additives and/or active ingredients are present.
4. The preparation as in claim 1 [claimed in any of the preceding claims], wherein the content of one or more modified phyllosilicates is between 0.05% by weight and 20% by weight [, advantageously between 0.1 and 5% by weight,] based on the total weight of the preparations.
5. The preparation as in claim 1 [claimed in any of the preceding claims], wherein the content of one or more flavones, flavanones and/or flavanoids is chosen from the range from 0.01 to 5.0% by weight [, preferably 0.1 to 2.0% by weight,] based on the total weight of the preparations.
7. The preparation as in claim 1 [claimed in any of the preceding claims,] comprising one or more additives or active ingredients selected [chosen] from the group consisting of antioxidants and[/or the group of] UV filter substances.

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